

# Timberbank JPS School Council

## Minutes from Thursday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting



### In attendance:

Anna Epitropou (Principal), Nick Carasis (Co-Chair), Ghazala Khan (Co-Chair), Marilyn Trenbeth (Community Representative), Juliana Dyal (Community Representative), Mike Petrovski (Treasurer)

### Regrets:

Lisa Ferguson, Mary Mavraidis-Jones, Gerald Jones (Secretary), Logan Tharmalingam, no teacher rep available

| Item                              | Discussion  | Action / Responsibility  |
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| <i>Agenda items</i>               |   |  |
| Approval of November 2011 minutes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Minutes discussed from Nov 2011; submitted for approval by Anna Epitropou and Seconded by Nick Carasis</li></ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Minutes passed</li></ul> |
| Treasurer's Report                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Balance spreadsheet printed out</li><li>➤ 418.83 Balance (\$300 pending for the athletic uniforms)</li><li>➤ Jean to contact Mike so that he can be added as a signing officer and have it changed from Juliana</li></ul> |  |
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## Principal's Report

1. Full day kindergarten – fence and bunker have been put in place; waiting for the gates to be installed. We will now need to look at fundraising for some kindergarten equipments such as tricycles etc. Kindergarten Team met and made a list of items to consider.
2. Reports went home (SK to Grade 6) – November 15<sup>th</sup> – interviews for all in SK to 6 and JK parents were invited in for an observation of their child in “action”
3. Fundraising Plan: Raffle Donations for Winter Concert; notice to go home on Monday; Asking for Gift bags to put the gifts in for the Raffle – send to the office; Food Drive on now; Chocolates in February; Discount Books available – sell for \$20 and profit is \$8 per book...thoughts? – good idea to consider for next November just before the holidays as possible gifts
4. “Seasonal Celebration” on December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm – all agreed to be available around 5:45 – 6:00 pm to sell raffle tickets at the door and help out with the raffle during the concert
5. Spirit Day: November 25<sup>th</sup> with our On TRACK assembly had “Crazy Hair Day”; next one on December 23<sup>rd</sup> – PJ Day after the concert; movie in the am and carolling @ 12:45pm
6. Movie Night – December 13<sup>th</sup> – needed to be rescheduled to January 24<sup>th</sup>
7. First Pizza Lunch – great; funds collected will be reported in January; Subway Lunch planned for March 1<sup>st</sup>
8. ECO news – Walking Wednesdays began on December 7<sup>th</sup>; great opportunity to walk to school; students sign in and get “timberbank wolf stamp”; bulletin board set up to showcase our efforts
9. Newcomers Kids Program to begin again in the new year on Mondays in the gym after school; table tennis and homework assistance
10. Continue to offer a Homework Club for grades 4 to 6 – after school till 3:55 pm – every Monday thru Thursday – Mrs. Angela Connor supervises our students
11. Athletics – boys volleyball team played in a tournament on December 5<sup>th</sup> at

Pauline Johnson; tryouts for boys basketball team were December 8<sup>th</sup> and girls volleyball will begin in the new year

12. November 11<sup>th</sup> – whole school visited the Zoo; excellent trip; fortunate for great weather

13. Music: Flute Quartet performed at the Markham Theatre on December 4<sup>th</sup>; amazing job! They will also perform at our Concert.

14. Character Education: all grade 4 to 6 students attending the “Ultimate Classtrip” at the Ricoh Coliseum on December 14<sup>th</sup>

15. Purchased a new mobile interactive whiteboard to be set up on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor; can be used by 4 people at the same time and has “touch” capabilities as the other boards you need a pen to work with; once set up we will have council take a look at

16. Coming Up:

- January 9<sup>th</sup> – first day back
- January 12<sup>th</sup> – School Council Meeting
- January 20<sup>th</sup> – Lunar New Year Celebration – ON Track
- January 24<sup>th</sup> – Movie Night
- January 31<sup>st</sup> – all day fitness in our gym – all grades – Agility Challenge
- February 7<sup>th</sup> – Family Fun Night

### *New Business*

17. New Items:

A. Parent Outreach Grant: \$1000 to use towards a parent internet safety workshop; dates discussed: February 28<sup>th</sup> or March 6<sup>th</sup>; Anna to set up with either Mediacs or Steve Chapelle depending on their availability; we could include dinner (pizza) as part of the evening; more discussion at our next council meeting

B. Spring Fair: date to be confirmed now as Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> (conflict with a TDSB event on June 9<sup>th</sup>)

- Mike provided a lengthy update on the various activities that we can confirm: jumpy castles; Raptor; Maple Leafs truck ; VitaminWater; Nestle truck; possible entertainment from 8<sup>th</sup> place finisher from “So You Think You Can Dance” and much more to be confirmed in

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|             | <p>January; Asian/South Asian food</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anna confirmed the balloon animal individual is available; EMS services we need to book on-line; permit to be submitted from 8am to 4pm for the school and grounds</li> <li>• Marilyn had looked into M&amp;Ms meat as a provider of food; does not seem possible as they want an upfront order forms; difficult to do</li> </ul> <p>C. Discussion brought up from Nick about UFC and anti-bullying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has hit the news in the last week; we do many things around anti-bullying but from a positive On Track way</li> <li>• Some merit thought for older students as opposed to elementary; we'll have to see where this goes</li> </ul> <p>D. Discussion about Timothy Eaton and information that was sent out in Norm Kelly's flyer; Juliana brought to council the information</p> <p>E. Anna mentioned that the Timberbank area was featured as one of the top ten areas to live in Toronto as noted in Toronto Life; a parent brought this to her attention</p> |  |
| Adjournment | Next meeting to be on January 12, 2012  |  |

**NEXT MEETING**  
**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Timberbank Junior Public School**  
**Staffroom**